ECFS - Email Filing <PROCEEDING>96-45 <DATE>02/08/2005 <NAME>Connie REndfeld <ADDRESS1>3034 N. Washington Blvd <ADDRESS2> <CITY>Indianapolis <STATE>IN <ZIP>46205 <LAW-FIRM> <ATTORNEY> <FILE-NUMBER> <DOCUMENT-TYPE> RC <PHONE-NUMBER> <DESCRIPTION> <CONTACT-EMAIL>carendfeld@aol.com <TEXT>I urge you to reject a flat fee proposal that would change how contributions are made to the Universal Service Fund. I am concerned that this proposal could make my current service unaffordable.

Under the flat fee proposal you are considering, people who make few long distance calls would pay the same as people or businesses that make many calls. In other words, low-volume and primarily residential customers would bear the same universal service fund burden as a high-volume residential or business customers. At this time, I pay more in monthly fees on my residential line than I do for actual long-distance charges.

I use my wireless phone for safety, security and convenience. I opted for a pre-paid plan, because I wanted to have a phone available in case of an emergency because I travel as a part of my employment. I don't make many calls. I don'twant to lose the security of having a wireless phone just so that big businesses can pay less than their fair share. I urge you to reject the proposal to move the USF collection system to a flat-fee.

Keep the USF Fair!

Sincerely,

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